Olivia S. Benson and Gilbert K. Squires, partners of the Law Offices of SquiresBenson, P.L., the outside firm representing the City of North Miami in the MOCA dispute, contacted the New Times and said the following:

The good news today is that, as a result of the Court-ordered Mediation, the parties have come together, and are diligently working to resolve the dispute. Everyone is sincerely looking forward to an amicable mutually beneficial resolution; and looking forward to working jointly in the future.

Ms. Benson and Mr. Squires, the attorneys who lead the Mediation team on behalf of the City of North Miami, indicate the terms of the settlement agreement as listed in the earlier blog, do not reflect the parties' discussions. After consulting with counsel for the Plaintiff, they agreed to update the New Times for everyone's benefit.

The Parties are earnestly working on the terms of an agreement, and will maintain the confidentiality of those discussions, and any agreement.